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RAY STANICH OTR's foremost writer of logs and reference material, died on December 24th. Ray was a friend of mine, without whose help I could never have written my material with the detail that it has. Ray had access to various files and listings at CBS, NBC and New York's Libraries and used this information for his projects and others. Not only did he help me, but he also was doing much research for John Dunning's revision of Tune in Yesterday. His book about American entertainers and all the radio programs they were in was almost completed. Hopefully, all his logs will eventually be available through Hello Again.

A PERSONAL NOTE: Many thanks for all the holiday wishes. Greg Jackson sent his annual personality card, this time with captions from Steve Allen and Cesar Romero. This year his Christmas seal was dated 1934, my birth year. Steve Hiss sent me a CD of the Broadway production of Crazy For You. Many thanks. I hope you all had an enjoyable holiday season...**Because** of my new format, it is much easier for me **not** to take flyers, but to take camera ready material that I will print with my newsletter. From now on the cost of 8 1/2 by 11 camera ready material is \$45 for 1 side and \$60 for 2 sides. Circulation is close to 400...**Don't forget to let me know what you are looking for, what new shows you have, what you are doing.** There never is a charge for putting this information in HA.

Radio Re-creations in New Haven are now a reality. The Dandelion Players, a local repertory group, is now starting to re-create radio plays with their first production on Feb. 14 at the Shubert Theater. Unfortunately, seating is limited for this first performance. Lon Clark and Barney Beck are special guests in a re-creation of a Nick Carter script adapted for Valentine's Day. I will be acting as adviser and will also be performing with my wife, Karen. We, the **Shubert Radio Theater** and the **New Orleans Radio Theater** would like to hear from other similar groups and how they addressed the copyright situation. In any production like this, there is no money made. Often, a local public radio station tapes the show for possible broadcast. You may contact me or Charlie Matkin with the New Orleans group. Charlie's address is 6404 Beauregard Ave., New Orleans, LA 70124 (504) 283-2892.

RADIO IS ALIVE AND WELL: **Jackson Beck** received the 1992 Ken Harvey Award from AFTRA for his untiring work with AFRA and then AFTRA from 1937. Among other things he has been convention delegate, National vice president, president and vice president of the New York local and served on many Boards and many committees and negotiating teams.

ULTIMATE LOG: As of the end of January, over 300 copies have been sold. Cost is \$40 plus \$3 for P & H. I am beginning to get corrections and additions. Ray Stanich had already started to send in information. Jerry Austin in California also is a big help.

NECROLOGY LOG: An oversight: the log is \$7 but for those who purchased the original, smaller log for \$3, the cost of the new log is the difference, \$4.

CONVENTION 1993: Dates are October 21 – 23, 1993, again at the Holiday Inn – North.

RADIO IS ALIVE AND WELL: **Paul Pitzer** mentions that he donated his radio program collection to Washington State University in Pullman, WA. If others are interested contact Mr. Gene Semington, Media Special Services, Holland Library, Wash. State Un., Pullman, WA 99164. It could be a good tax deduction...Radio was not well when WNEW-AM ceased to exist on December 15. The Make Believe Ballroom would have been 58 years old in February...A reminder that Wednesday, February 10, 1993 is the 100th anniversary of the birth of Jimmy Durante.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED: **Jolson News**, Autumn; more information for Al Jolson fans...**Tune In**, December; More articles by Rob Imes; several letters from readers...**Kate Smith Newsletter**, Fall; for Kate Smith fans...**Tape Squeal**, Nov-Dec; articles on The Romance of Helen Trent; tape noise...**Return With Us Now**, Dec; article on radio in 1933...Jan; article on Clifton Fadiman...**Airwaves**, 3rd quarter; interviews with Jerry Hausner, Dick Beals, Peggy Webber...**Old Time Radio Digest**, Nov - Dec; article on Eve Arden...**Past Times**, Winter; articles on Myrna Loy; books on Casablanca; Carl Davis...**Daily Sentinel**, Jan - Feb, Part three of radio's crime fighters...first of a series of articles on Arthur Godfrey ... **SPERDVAC Radiogram**, January; articles on Radioland by Ward Byron, Bobby Benson by Jack French...**Nostalgia Digest**, Feb - Mar; articles on Waukegan's railroad and Jack Benny; Ray Noble; Frank Lovejoy.

BOOKS AND MAGAZINES: McFarland & Company, Box 611, Jefferson, NC 28640 has issued 2 more books: the first is **Radio Mystery and Adventure** and Its Appearance in Film, Television and Other Media by Jim Harmon. It is 368 pages and costs \$45. It covers 14 mysteries and adventures. Each entry includes broadcast days, sponsors, cast, production credits and a comprehensive essay...the second book is **Religious Radio and Television** in the United States from 1921 - 1991 by Hal Erickson. It is 264 pages and costs \$39.95. Four hundred programs and personalities are examined carefully...Long time OTR collector and bibliophile, **Dave Siegel**, has just published **the Used Book Lover's Guide To New England**, a guide to more than 600 used book dealers in the six state region. Many of the dealers listed in the book have special sections on the movies, theater and music, all of which provide a rich source of radio related material. The 352-page book costs \$14.95 plus \$1.95 for shipping and handling. New York residents add sales tax. To order contact Dave at Book Hunter Press, Box 193, Yorktown Heights, NY 10598. (914) 245-6608.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS: **The Radio Enthusiasts of Puget Sound** will hold an OTR Convention on Jun 25 - 26 in Seattle. Several guests including John Archer, Dick Beals, Parley Baer, Harry Bartell, Herb Ellis will attend. For information contact REPS, 9936 Northeast 197th St., Bothell, WA 98011...Mt. Carmel, IL, birthplace of **Brace Beemer**, radio's Lone Ranger, will hold a tribute to this man on May 1 and 2, 1993. Saturday's events include a dedication at his home, lunch and a panel discussion and Fred Foy as guest speaker at the evening banquet. Other plans are tentative but will be announced later. For information contact Diane Partee at the Mt. Carmel Area Chamber of Commerce, 219 Market St., Mt. Carmel, IL 62863; (618) 262-5116...**Cincinnati's 7th annual OTR and Nostalgia Convention** is being held at the Marriott Inn in Cincinnati April 16 - 17. Guests so far are Lon Clark, Parley Baer, Dick Beals, Barney Beck. For information write Bob Burchett, 10280 Gunpowder Rd., Florence, KY 41042 (606) 282-0333.

LOGS: A new **Dragnet Log** has just been released by Chris Lembesis and Randy Eidemiller. For a copy send \$10 plus \$3 for shipping and handling to Randy Eidemiller, 7700 Lampson #37, Garden Grove, CA 92641. The log contains 12 pages of background about the program plus a complete log that includes title and description of each show...If anyone wants to contact Terry Salomonson about a log that he wrote, write Don Aston (AVPRO), 33888 The Farm Rd., Lake Elsinore, CA 92532.

CATALOGS AND NEW SHOWS: **Joseph Leniado-Chira**, 18 Zygmont Ln, Greenwich, CT 06830 has rare Toscanini, Cantelli, Walter, Beecham, Tebaldi and others on 10" reel tapes and 16" discs--rehearsals and concerts (149 items). Send a SASE for complete list.

NEW ADDRESSES: **Arlene Sabba**, 166 E 96th St #7C, New York, NY 10128..
Dixon Chandler, 641 Fulton Rd., Tallahassee, FL 32312..**Jeff Muller**, 221 River Rd. #A3,
 Bogota, NJ 07603..**Thom Salome**, 8827 Springtree Lake Dr., Sunrise, FL 33351 (305) 741-
 4884. Call Thom if you wish to buy 2800 master reels.

NEW FRIENDS AND RETURNEES: **Bert Garskof**, 459 Ellsworth Ave, New Haven, CT 06511. I am helping Bert with the OTR production that will be held at the Shubert Theater in New Haven on Valentines Day..**Wayne Ennis**, 913 Oakland Ave., Durham, NC 27705..**Sam Levene**, 642 Shaw St., Toronto, Ontario, M6G 3L7 Canada..**Raymond Victor**, 59 Underhill Ave., Hicksville, NY 11801..**Bill Docherty**, 12 Lippincott St. East, Weston, Ontario M9N 1B1 Canada..**Charles Connor**, 9 Payne Ave., Runnemede, NJ 08078..**John Moran**, 6351 Beck Rd., Canton, MI 48187..**Walden Hughes**, 2527 Duke Pl., Costa Mesa, CA 92626..**Chick Meyerson**, 7429 Teasdale, St. Louis, MO 63130..**Lou Curtiss**, 3611 Adams Ave., San Diego, CA 92116..**Ron Cruger**, 505 Paokano Loop, Kailua, HI 96734..**Cliff Duggar**, 205 E 164th Ter., Belton, MO 64012..**H. Edgar Cole**, Box 3509, Lakeland, FL 33802 has a used Sony CCP-100 high speed (monaural) cassette duplicator for sale in mint condition. It is a very good buy. Cost is \$300 which includes shipping. If you want specific details, please send Ed a SASE..**Frank Bell**, 1706 Brazos Ave., Hobbs, NM 88240 is looking for a WWII show about 2 G I truck drivers with The "Big Red One" and their misadventures in North Africa. There is a show available but I can't come up with the name of the show..**Bob Molleur**, 29 Kennedy Dr., North Chelmsford, MA 01863..**Veneta Beukelaer**, 21 Firdale St., Centereach, NY 11720..**Douglas Roycraft**, 1280A Youngs Rd., Williamsville, NY 14221. Douglas still looking for Second Husband with Helen Mencken..**Louis Andrews**, 65 Branford Rd., Whippany, NJ 07981 looking for any shows with Georgie Price..**Clayton Holden**, Box 1905, Rochester, NY 14603..**Ernest Hack**, 2860 SE 20th Ave., Gainesville, FL 32601. Ernie and I go back to his days in Connecticut in 1970. For 27 years he has been putting out an informal Magazine called **The Connecticut Yankee**. It has much nostalgia, humor, jokes and other interesting reading. It is published quarterly and is \$5 a year..**Henry Krzeski**, 315 Lynchburg Dr., Newport News, VA 23606.

Earl McCool, 417 Wildhaven Cir., Gadsden, AL 35901..**John Rothwell**, 73 Geiger Ave., Bellevue, KY 41073..**Richard Odlin**, Box 279, Tacoma, WA 98401..**John Cooper**, Box 911, Forest Park, GA 30051..**Larry Valley**, Box 217, Newport, MN 55055..**Tom Nelson**, 3844 Stevens Ave., Minneapolis, MN 55409..**Michael Boyle**, 205 Sheridan Blvd., Inwood, NY 11696..**Anthony Smith**, 1414 Lynnview Dr., Houston, TX 77055..**Kitty King**, 180 W San Carlos St., San Jose, CA 95113 is looking for a copy of a monolog made by Cornelia Otis Skinner. The title is Hollywood's Happiest Married Couple or Happiest Married Couple in Hollywood. She did it on radio in 1936 as the summer replacement for Walter Winchell..**Richard King**, 18 Middle St. Barrington, RI 02806..**Margaret Brown**, 4107 Franklin Rd., Cleveland, OH 44113..**Axel Camp**, 12 Karen Dr., Bethel, CT 06801. Axel is looking for any stations playing OTR in his area..**Martin Tytun**, 84-11 Lander St., Queens, NY 11435..**James Morrison**, 19228 Charles St., Tarzana, CA 91356..**Richard Blamey**, N7811 Ledgeview Springs, Fond Du Lac, WI 54935..**George McCarthy**, Box 186, Spruce Pine, NC 28777..**Miriam Cummings**, 2121 W 77th St. #8, Richfield, MN 55423..**Roger Hill**, 1231 Grove St. #10, San Francisco, CA 94117. Roger and I go back to 1970. He produced much written work about OTR when he was in College and when he taught college. He still does. Roger is a biology instructor and is involved in cancer research. Roger married Lourdes in 1992..**Hugh Hadden**, 206 W Main, Tipp City, OK 45371. **Dean Case**, 731 Bruce St., Fond Du Lac, WI 54935..**Joseph Farrell**, 25 South Circle, Naugatuck, CT 06770. Joseph is blind and would welcome any disc jockey programs of the 50's - 70's from New York or the Connecticut area..**Ron Miyashiri** (Blind), 531-C Judd St., Honolulu, HI 96817 would like to trade or buy OTR shows on cassette..**Dave Amaral**, Box 12062, La Crescenta, CA 91224.

Diane Partee, Chamber of Commerce, 219 Market St. Suite 1A, Mt. Carmel, IL 62863... **Jim Rogers**, 10340 SW 41st St., Portland, OR 97219...**Randy Bonneville**, RR 2 Box 106, Isle La Motte, VT 05463...**Charles Burton**, 6185 Ute Dr., San Jose, CA 95123...**George Rowlette**, 2019 Argyle St., Chicago, IL 60625...**Lorraine Scott**, 6745 Cheryl Ann Dr., Seven Hills, OH 44131.

IN FOND MEMORY: **Eric Burroughs**, Nov 12, 81; veteran black stage and radio performer (Words Without Music, Gangbusters)...**Frank Mann**, Nov 22, 84; engineer; appeared in Amos 'n' Andy...**John White**, Nov 28, 90; sang, as the Lonesome Cowboy, between the acts of Death Valley Days...**Robert E. Lee**, Dec 3, 81; Bob worked for WOR for many years and attended several of our conventions...**Mark Goodson**, Dec 18, 77; very prolific producer-director of some of radio's and TV's top-rated game shows, especially with Bill Todman with whom he collaborated for over 30 years (Winner Take All; What's My Line). He also created Appointment With Life in 1943...**Dana Andrews**, Dec 17, 83; film, radio and TV actor (I Was a Communist For the FBI; at least 14 Lux Radio Theater)...**Andy Kirk**, Dec 11, 94; band leader operating out of Kansas City Missouri under the name A K and The Clouds of Joy...**Ina Souez**, Dec 7, 89; singer; with Spike Jones Band...**Berne Surrey**, Aug 25, 77; radio actor and sound man (Pursuit, Sam Spade, Hallmark Playhouse)...**Laurence Marks**, Jan 1, 77; veteran television and radio comedy writer (Fred Allen, Duffy's Tavern).

Write if you get work; and hang by your thumbs

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